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Pursuant to Rule 56, applicant hereby calls to the attention of the Patent Office the references listed on the attached PTO Form 1449. These references were cited in the parent application are available in the file wrapper thereof. Therefore, applicants have not provided a copy of these references. If the Office should require copies, please let us know.

Applicant presents these references so that the Patent Office may, in the first instance, determine any relevancy thereof to the presently claimed invention; see <u>Beckman Instruments</u>, <u>Inc. v. Chemtronics</u>, <u>Inc.</u>, 439 F.2d 1369, 1380, 165 USPQ 355, 364 (5th Cir. 1970).

Applicant respectfully requests that these references be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application and made of record herein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue herefrom.

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